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Finds Arabia Exotic  
Only In Story Books



MRS. IDA STORM

(Photo by The Birmingham Post) Shown above is Mrs. Ida Storm, missionary to Arabia, dressed in native costume as she addressed the annual meeting of the Mississippi Baptist Woman's Missionary Union.

Arabia may mean exotic customs, dashing young sheiks on a white stallion, and beautiful dancing girls to many people, but a mild-mannered medical missionary who has lived there 15 years paints another picture.

Mrs. Ida Storm, who attended the meeting of the Mississippi Woman's Missionary Union at Calvary Church, Jackson, says the majority of Arabic people are "illiterate and apathetic toward work. Main occupations are date-growing and raising goats and sheep."

Mrs. Storm and her husband, Dr. Harold Storm, are a doctor-nurse team. This year marks the 60th anniversary of the first mission founded at Bahrain. Two large hospitals are also located there.

"The Dutch Reform is the only mission there so far, but four Baptist missionaries are now studying Arabic

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## Attendance Records Broken At State W.M.U. Convention

MRS. SLEDGE RE-ELECTED PRESIDENT FOR FIFTH TERM—147 NEW ORGANIZATIONS

The 71st annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Union of Mississippi, which met at Calvary Church, Jackson, March 28-30, was the greatest convention in the history of the organization. There were 1,954 who registered, setting an all time high in registrations. "Christ for the World" was the theme of the meeting. Setting the background for the program was a large globe, overshadowed by a large cross, which was suspended above the globe. At the conclusion of both night services lights were dim-

med and the world and cross shone impressively in the darkness.

Each session was opened by the Woman's College octet, under the direction of Miss Julia Guess. Mrs. I. E. Rouse, Woman's College dean, read the Scripture passage at the morning and afternoon sessions.

On Tuesday evening Dr. Harold Basden, Host Pastor, in behalf of his congregation, welcomed the delegates and visitors. He brought the keynote address, "Christ For the World." Answering the questions, "Why Christ

for the World," and "How Shall the World find God?" he stressed the fact that the world is lost and needs salvation.

Miss Almarine Brown, chairman of the Business Women's Circles of the state, recognized the Business Women, over 250 of whom were present. Preceding the opening session of the convention a BWC banquet was held in the basement of the church.

Missionary speaker for the opening session was Dr. Ida Patterson Storm of Arabia, who was dressed in native Arabian costume of the Royal families, given to her by King Ibn Saud. Her dress contained forty yards of silk, with brocaded sleeves of gold, silver

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Have Full-Time  
Preaching In 1949  
Total Now Is 13,761

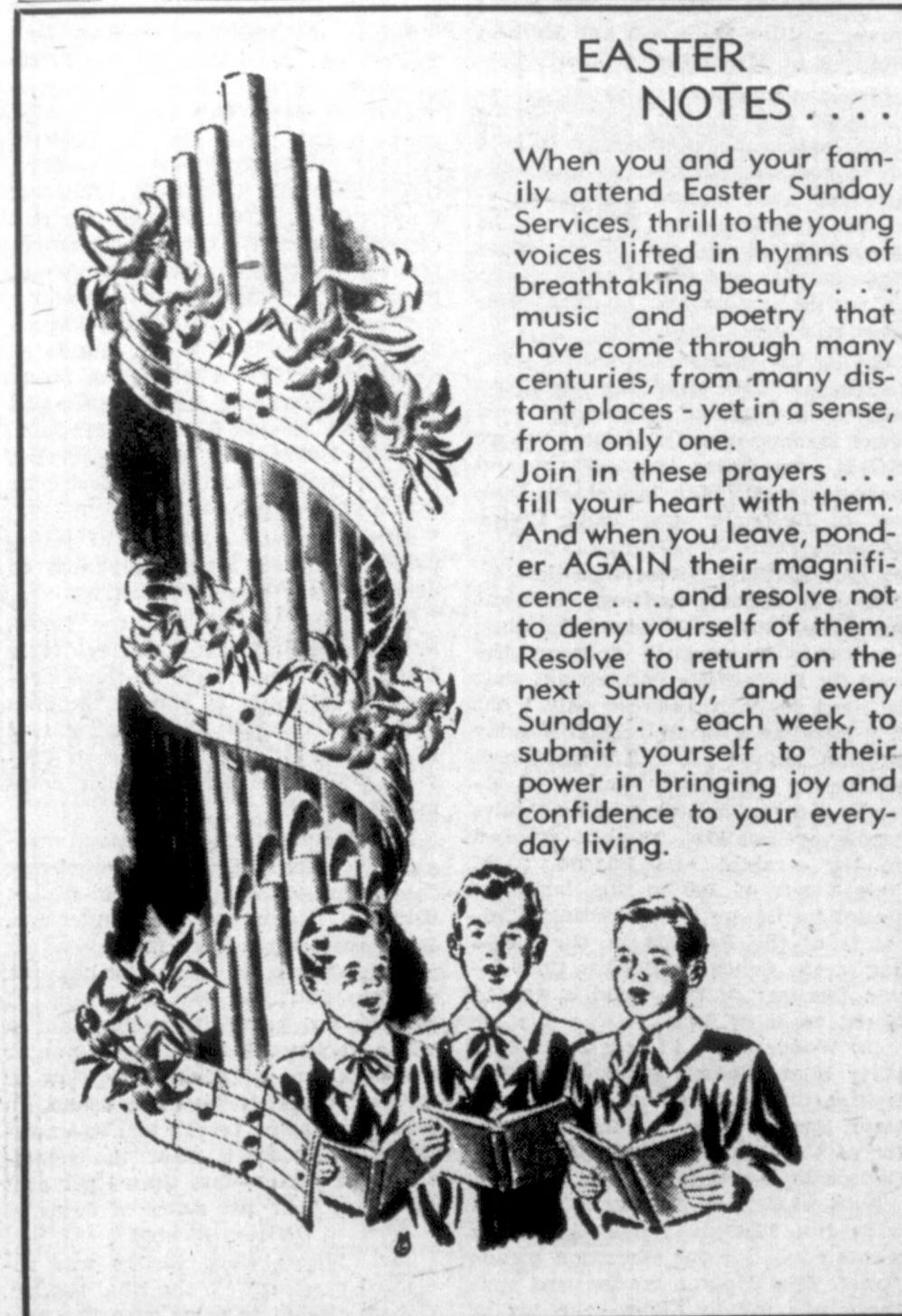
Nashville, Tenn. — (BP) — Southern Baptist churches with preaching every Sunday increased 1199 in 1949, according to Porter Routh, secretary of survey and statistics. Those with every Sunday preaching stand now at 13,761, more than 50 per cent of the total number. This is the first time that more than half have had full-time preaching.

Quarter-time churches declined from 5062 to 4107, a drop of 953. The report also showed a gain of 463 churches in the Southern Baptist Convention in 1949 to bring the total to 27,285. Included in the gain are 40 open country churches, 98 village churches and 326 city churches.

Complete tabulation on state basis will be published in the new 1951 Southern Baptist Convention Handbook, to be released in May through Baptist book stores, Mr. Routh said.

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Rev. A. B. Pierce, pastor of the First Church, Kosciusko, will be the speaker on the Mississippi Radio Hour April 9. He will be heard over the following stations: at 8 a. m. over WHBQ, Memphis; WRBC, Jackson; WROB, West Point, and at 2 p. m. WRJW, Picayune; at 9 a. m. over WSLI, Jackson, and WLOX, Biloxi.



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and silk. Her black veil was embroidered with gold and silver filigree.

When visiting in the royal palace she said she had to wear a gown with a twelve foot train. Born in Scotland, Mrs. Storm was educated at Randolph Macon, University of Virginia and received her Ph.D degree from Cornell. For two terms she taught in the University of Shanghai and upon her marriage to Dr. Harold Storm, went with him to Arabia. As a registered nurse, she is engaged in medical evangelism.

She told how she and Dr. Storm got their first opportunity to go into the interior because of a smallpox epidemic ten years ago. They were taken to vaccinate the king and his four wives, their children and slaves. They moved from Sheik's tent to Sheik's tent until they had vaccinated between 1200 and 1500 persons. They were not allowed to vaccinate the common villagers, however.

They served for some time in Quatar (pronounced gutter) where they ministered to the ruler of that territory. After ten years he told Dr. Storm, "I will build you a hospital for my people." On the day the hospital opened Dr. Storm read the Bible to the patients, the first time the word of God had ever been read in that section. After the Sheik's daughter safely gave birth to a son in the new hospital, having lost eight others at birth, the Sheik gave a well and a pump, an electric generating system and X-ray equipment for the hospital.

Although many converts are put to death in Arabia, the people are learning that all good things have come with the Christian missionaries—the healing of their bodies, the rejoicing of their hearts and a measure of freedom they have never known.

On Wednesday morning Mrs. Crawley led the devotional from the subject, "With Fervent Prayer." Mrs. David Byrd conducted the Memorial Service, closing with a solo, "God's Voice Has Softly Called."

## Shoddy Gifts Exposed

Miss Edith Stokley, WMU Field Representative, specializing in Community Missions spoke on, "This is My Task."

Climaxing her challenging appeal she opened a sack in which she had articles taken from a box sent to a City Mission by church women. It was a shocking indictment of the shoddy gifts we give in the name of Christ.

Miss Edwina Robinson called attention to the work done by the WMU in Mississippi during the past year. Miss Almarine Brown reported advance made in the Business Woman's Circles. They listed a total of 182 Circles and eleven Federations. Miss Nell Taylor, State Young People's Secretary, reported that 2,196 women attended District meetings in 1949.

Mrs. N. A. Edmonds, State Mission Study Chairman, called attention to gains in this field. Mrs. W. A. Stockton, State Community Missions chairman, spoke concerning that work and urged more prayerful choices in the selection of local community missions chairmen. Mrs. J. T. Lyons, stewardship chairman, emphasized that phase of the program.

Mrs. Charles H. Dean, Jr., WMU Training School Trustee, read a telegram of greetings from the Mississippi girls at the WMU Training School. Mississippi has eleven girls there this



Photo by Bobby Moulder, Clarico-Ledger Staff Photographer

AT WMU CONVENTION taking a leading part in the 71st annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Union are these people, left to right: Harris D. Shinn, director of music at Calvary Church where the convention was held; Miss Edwina Robinson, executive secretary; Mrs. Wilma B. Sledge, president and Dr. Harold G. Basden, host pastor.

year with a twelfth student working on her Doctor of Theology degree at the Southern Seminary.

A birthday dinner for all the girls at the Training School will be given each year in honor of Miss Edwina Robinson.

Miss Taylor brought news of Mississippi girls attending New Orleans Seminary and Southwestern. Mrs. D. R. Bowen, State Margaret Fund Chairman, spoke of what the WMU is doing in educating the sons and daughters of our missionaries. Two Margaret Fund students are in school in Mississippi this year: Rosalind Owens at Blue Mountain and Herbert Simpson at Mississippi College.

Mrs. Sledge presented to Mrs. D. C. Simmons a beautiful hand tooled green leather book, embossed in gold which contained a word of appreciation from each woman who had served on the Executive Board of the Miss. WMU during the twenty years Mrs. Simmons had served as secretary. An orchid was pinned on Mrs. Simmons in expression of love.

Giving the president's address, Mrs. Sledge said, "We need less television and more spiritual vision, we need fewer rumpus rooms and more prayer closets, and fewer baby sitters and more mother's love." Mrs. J. M. Dorsett of Lucedale sang "Oh, Divine Redeemer!"

## Dr. Redford Gives Statistics

Then Dr. Courts Redford, Assistant Secretary, Home Mission Building, urged his hearers to "possess the land for Christ." He pointed out that we need a revival because only 1 out of 3 Baptists is in church on Sunday morning, only 1 out of 8 is in church on Sunday night and 1 out of 20 attends prayer meeting. The white people are walking mighty crooked on the straight and narrow path.

Only 1 out of 100 in the language groups in the south is Christian. Two-thirds of the Baptists in the world lie in the Southern Baptist Convention territory, if the world is won to Christ we must do it!

On Wednesday afternoon, Miss Mary Ellen Wooten spoke on Africa. "Africa differs from America by one word, Speed!" Miss Wooten is director of the Baptist Woman's Training College in Abeokuta, Nigeria.

As a whole, the African is satisfied with his Moslem religion, but he wants education for education means power. Miss Wooten emphasized that there was joy in Africa—the joy of salvation, the joy of discipleship, the joy of new workers, the joy of healing and the joy of receiving presents from America.

In speaking of the Evangelistic

campaign which is to be of major emphasis, Mrs. W. A. Stockton said, "No force but the Lord could move Southern Baptists together in this great movement of bringing a revival of Christian religion. We must give God a chance with us!"

Concluding the program on Wednesday afternoon, Miss Stokley led a conference on Community Missions. She emphasized the fact that we must know the needs in our communities and we must make the needs known. Coronation Service Climaxes Service

On Wednesday evening a coronation service was featured using the theme "Christ, Our Star Ideal." Miss Nell Taylor, conducted this service, assisted by Mrs. Sledge; Rev. Walter Bissell, R. A. Secretary; and a host of young people from Calvary Church, Jackson, Parkway Church, Jackson, Davis Memorial Church, Jackson, First Church, Jackson; Pachuta Church, Briar Hill Church, Florence; Main Street Church, Hattiesburg; and First Church, Biloxi. The Woman's College Octet and the Calvary Chancel Choir directed by Mr. Harris D. Shinn sang "Crown Him With Many Crowns." Climaxing this beautiful and impressive service, Rev. S. E. Maddox, Personnel Secretary of the Foreign Mission Board spoke on the five Star Ideals of the Girls Auxiliary.

At the conclusion, scores of young people signified their willingness to dedicate their lives to Christ.

On Thursday morning the Octet, Mrs. Rouse and Mrs. Crawley truly lifted high the hearts of those present, in a spirit of sincere worship and devotion. Mrs. Sledge introduced Mrs. W. A. Bright, president of Calvary WMU who presented her committee.

Miss Wooten brought a second message on Africa. Using as her theme the drums of Africa, she told of the usage of drums for communication, for gossip spreading, for spreading joy, for sorrow, for school, for heathen worship and for war. She said, "I predict ten years from now not a white person will be allowed to enter the continent of Africa. It's Now or Never!" "I wish we had drums in America, drums to call you to knowledge. Oh, women, hear the heart-throbs of Africa—less than 1 per cent in Africa bear the name of Jesus."

## Officers Elected

Mrs. Wilma Bobo Sledge was re-elected president in the final session. Others elected to serve with her are: Mrs. Webb Brame, Yazoo City, vice-president; Mrs. D. C. Simmons, Jackson, recording secretary; Mrs. W. A. Stockman, Amory, Community Missions Chairman; Mrs. N. A. Edmonds,

## Southside, Jackson, To Have Homecoming Day on Easter Sunday

## Church Roll To Be Called

Homecoming Day at Southside Church, Jackson, will be held on Easter Sunday, April 9. Dinner will be served on the grounds of the church.

During the morning service, the church roll is to be called. The membership is approximately 600. Those who have been added during the past six months, which includes 82, will be given special recognition.

Guest speaker in the afternoon will be Rev. Wayne E. Todd, pastor of the Daniel Memorial Church, Jackson. The pastor, Rev. S. W. Valentine will preach at the morning and evening services.

For some time the church has been in the process of expanding its facilities. The auditorium was jacked up and a ground floor has been laid underneath it. The new basement consists of twelve classrooms, a kitchen, nursery, library, and two rest rooms. The auditorium itself was redecorated and new pews have been ordered, to be delivered within the next week. The entire building has been enveloped in brick veneer.

The Brotherhood recently purchased a church bus for use in furnishing transportation for the members.

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THE BAPTIST RECORD APPRECIATES a nice list of new and renewal subscriptions from Temple Church, Myrtle. This church has formerly paid in advance yearly, but now has switched to the EVERY FAMILY plan.

Jackson, Mission Study Chairman; Mrs. T. J. Lyons, Stewardship Chairman.

District officers elected for the coming year are: District 1—Supt. Mrs. Wilburn Buckley; Young People's Leader—Mrs. W. E. Hannah; Dist. 2—Mrs. J. A. Anderson, Supt., and Mrs. Andrew Alexander, Y. P. Leader; Dist. 3—Mrs. Ned Rice, Supt., and Mrs. G. W. McLendon, Y. P. Leader; Dist. 4—Mrs. W. L. Carpenter, Supt., Y. P. Leader to be elected; Dist. 5—Mrs. Stella Criss, Supt., and Mrs. R. A. Johnson, Y. P. Leader; Dist. 6—Mrs. R. E. Covington, Supt., and Mrs. L. W. Nestor, Y. P. Leader; Dist. 7—Mrs. I. E. Rouse, Supt., and Mrs. W. S. Freeland, Y. P. Leader; Dist. 8—Mrs. I. L. Toler, Supt., and Mrs. Earl Edwards, Y. P. Leader.

## Stewardship Poster Contest

Mrs. J. T. Lyons reported that 26 Stewardship posters were entered in the contest. Those winning were: 1st place, Lexington; 2nd place, Canton; 3rd place, 1st Church Greenwood; and 4th place, Griffith Memorial, Jackson. These will be sent to the conference at Ridgecrest this summer.

Closing the convention Dr. Maddox challenged his hearers with a message from the first chapter of Romans. In conclusion he introduced his father, Dr. O. P. Maddox, for 43 years missionary to Brazil and spoke of him as one of the greatest living missionaries. His father said, "If I had another 40 years I would go to South America to put the rod and the staff in their hearts and hands." The final words of Rev. S. E. Maddox, "Let us hasten our young people the best that we have, to the uttermost parts of the world," rang in the ears and hearts of the delegates as the convention was dismissed with prayer...

## WHEN THE LOVE OF CHRIST CONTROLS, WE ADVANCE

William P. Davis, Executive Secretary Ad Interim

### THROUGH THE COOPERATIVE PROGRAM MISSISSIPPI BAPTISTS ADVANCE PREACHING TO THE UNSAVED

The Gospel Message is the good news that God gave His only Son for man's salvation. "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved." But how can man believe unless he knows, and how can he know unless he hears the truth? This glorious truth must be preached, and Mississippi Baptists, God's people, hold the key. Our gifts through the Cooperative Program help support the local, state, home and foreign mission programs of Baptist people for making Christ known to lost people.

#### Teaching The Enlisted

Christian education is a basic foundation for the ongoing and advance of God's Gospel Message on earth. As converts are won to Christ, they must be trained for maximum service. This, Mississippi Baptists do through their Sunday Schools, Training Unions, Woman Missionary Unions, Brotherhoods, and through Mississippi College, Blue Mountain College, Woman's College, Clarke College, Mississippi Baptist Theological Seminary for negro preachers and the Southwide Seminaries. Gifts through the Cooperative Program help support all these agencies for the training of our people for lives of greatest usefulness to Christ.

#### Ministering To The Needy

Never in His ministry on this earth did Christ fail to exercise His ability to heal the sick, to minister to the needy, or to comfort the broken-hearted. These were the things—demonstrations of the love of God—which caused great masses to gather around the Blessed Saviour for divine wisdom and salvation. Christian hospitals, orphanages, and homes of mercy bring this ministry to people today. Through the Cooperative Program Mississippi Baptists help support and enlarge this work, demonstrating to a world of suffering the love of God.

#### Sending The Gospel To The World

Around the earth people are crying for the Bread of Life. These people are seeking the Christian way of life. They crave the comfort and the love of Jesus Christ. Jesus they can never know unless and until Southern Baptists send missionaries to tell them of and to demonstrate to them, the truths of God's Redemptive Love. Our Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board stands ready to meet this unprecedented Mission Challenge. Dr. M. Theron Rankin, Executive Secretary, is calling for \$10,000,000 annually to support 1750 missionaries overseas in a world-girdling program for Christ. THE ADVANCE PROGRAM IS THE COOPERATIVE PROGRAM

Preaching glad tidings, peace by Jesus Christ, the Lord. Preaching the Word and the word of faith. Preaching the gospel to every creature. Preaching Christ crucified. Preaching Christ risen from the dead. Preaching Christ present and alive. Preaching Christ ready and able to save. Preaching Christ coming to this earth a second time.

Teaching observance of all things, whatsoever Christ has commanded. Teaching the statutes, judgements and violence of God. Teaching the

way, the will and the word of God. Ministering the Gospel of Christ. Ministering as flames of fire to a lost world and as saints of God to broken bodies.

Sending messengers of Christ to the needy souls of pagan and heathen lands. Sending the word of God to every hamlet, city, village and country side of our state, our nation, and our world.

How much shall I give?

How much shall I give to my church so that my church may give to the world through the Cooperative Program:

The answer is plain: THE TITHE.

But why THE TITHE?

Because the tithe is the Lord's.

"The tithe is the Lord's."

You say, "But I don't see it that way."

Possibly not, but the Bible says:

"The tithe is the Lord's".

You say, "I am in debt."

Yes, but the Bible says: "The tithe is the Lord's."

You say: "But I have dependents and other obligations that no one else knows about."

That is true. Heroically, unselfishly, sacrificially, some are caring for others. But the Bible says: "The tithe is the Lord's."

Whatever one may say or think, the Bible answers back: "The tithe is the Lord's."

How much, then, ought a Christian to give? No person can tell another the amount he should give, for the Lord has already done so: "The tithe is the Lord's."

Every Baptist a tither.

Is it a sin to test God?

It is a sin to tempt (test) God except as He commands it. Satan tried to get Christ to test God by leaping off the pinnacle of the Temple but Jesus said, "Thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God." It is a sin to test God in paths that are beyond the paths of obedience and duty.

But in Malachi 3:10 God commands us concerning the tithe to His Storehouse, "...and prove me herewith, saith the Lord of Hosts, if I will not open the windows of heaven and pour you out a blessing..."

What a startling proposal from God. "Prove Me, put Me to the test, try Me, trust Me! Give Me the tithe and see if I will let you be the loser."

Do you believe the promise of God in the Bible? All your life you have said you do, but have you really tested His honor and veracity in answering this test of tithing.

Will you take Him at His word and TITHE ALL YOUR INCOME?

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DR. ELLIS A. FULLER, PRESIDENT of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky., is the speaker for a new radio worship series, BAPTIST SEMINARY HOUR, which is being broadcast over Radio Station WHAS, Louisville, each Sunday morning from 7:30 to 8 o'clock, Central Standard Time, during the months of April, May and June. Music for the program is provided by the choir of the Seminary's School of Church Music, under the direction of Donald Winters.

## John Maddox Accepts Picayune Pastorate Resigns at Magnolia Church



REV. JOHN R. MADDOX

Rev. John R. Maddox has resigned as pastor of the First Church, Magnolia, to accept the pastorate of the First Church, Picayune. The church at Picayune has been without a pastor since the death of Dr. O. P. Estes last August.

During the two and one half years which Mr. Maddox has been in Magnolia, the church has had 292 additions, 131 of whom came by baptism. Special emphasis has been given to youth work, and two young men have been licensed to preach, one of whom has also been ordained. Six young ladies have volunteered for full time religious service. The South Magnolia Mission has been organized where Rev. Charles Ray, assistant pastor, now holds regular services each Sunday in a newly erected mission building.

Mr. Maddox is the son of Dr. O. P. Maddox and the late Mrs. Maddox, missionaries to Brazil for 43 years. He is a graduate of Georgetown, (Ky.) College, and Southwestern Theological Seminary. Mrs. Maddox is the former Miss Sarah Frances Gill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Gill of Holly Springs, and a graduate of MSCW. They have two children, Johnny, three and one half years, and Nancy Ann, one year.

His resignation is effective April 9, at which time a goal of 500 has been set for the Sunday School attendance, including the Mission. He will begin his work at Picayune April 23.

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## Rocky Creek Notes

There were 111 enrolled in the Training Union Study Course at Rocky Creek Church March 20-23. Teachers included Rev. Chester Moulder of Hattiesburg, and the following home teachers: Rev. J. B. Stewart, pastor; J. F. Averett, Mrs. Hassie Byrd, and Mrs. J. B. Stewart.

Twenty-five ladies completed the Home Mission study course of the WMS with several of the members teaching one chapter each.

Pastor Stewart and two of the deacons, Carl Havard and Cecil Thigpen, attended the Sunday School Convention at Greenwood.

The church has planned to place pews in the auditorium by July 1 and a fund has been started for this purpose. An electric coffee pot and a cooler for cold drinks have been purchased.

## A MESSAGE TO ALL MISSISSIPPI BAPTISTS

From

W. G. MIZE, Superintendent  
Baptist Orphanage

I wish to take this opportunity to express my appreciation to the faculty, children, Board of Trustees and friends who have cooperated in such a wonderful way during my recent illness and convalescence.

Five weeks as a patient in our own Baptist Hospital enabled me to fully appreciate the service rendered by the Superintendent, Staff, Nurses and Physicians in helping to heal humanity's hurt.

In the Baptist Record, issue of March 16, 1950 the following attracts my attention. "Thirteen States Increase Mission Gifts Over 1949." Thirteen states gave more to Southwide Cooperative Program objects the first two months in 1950 than in the same period in 1949, according to Dr. Duke K. McCall, executive secretary for the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee.

The table shows that Mississippi was not one of the thirteen states showing an increase. In January and February of 1949 Mississippi Baptists gave \$46,428 with the division 55% statewide and 45% Southwide, whereas in January and February 1960 Mississippi Baptists gave \$43,561 with the division 50% statewide and 50% Southwide. This amounted to a decrease in \$2,877.58 although there had been an increase in Southwide percentage distribution from 45% to 50%. This means that our gifts to the Cooperative Program have been less.

The Orphanage shares in the distributive gifts through the Cooperative Program. In 1949 our percentage was 5% with the 55%-45% distribution, whereas for 1950 the Orphanage receives only 4% through the Cooperative Program with 50-50 distribution. This means that the Orphanage gifts through the Cooperative Program will be considerably decreased unless more money is given through this source.

The Orphanage needs to lengthen her cords and strengthen her stakes. More calls for needy children to be admitted are received almost daily. We need to continue with our program for remodeling and building.

There are three courses for the Orphanage to pursue—first, to go backward, second—stand still—Go Forward. We are sure that the Lord and Mississippi Baptists prefer the Forward Step. This will be determined by the contributions received. It may be that your church has not made a contribution through the Cooperative Program. If not—a contribution will be appreciated.

This procedure calls for financial sharing on the part of our friends. The Orphanage has every reason to be thankful for this sharing in the past, and is anticipating a continuance of it in the future. We have a good home for the children, good friends of the children, and reasonable assurance that the essential needs of our family will be provided. For such a state of mind we not only thank Our Heavenly Father, but our cordial and liberal Mississippi Baptist friends. Visit the Orphanage family when you can. May God bless you is our prayer.

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## Fifteen Added In Crowder Revival

During the Crowder Spring Revival, March 26-31, fifteen were added to the church, 11 on profession of faith.

Rev. E. Y. Soileau, pastor of the Tunica Church, was the guest preacher. The music was under the direction of the pastor, Rev. Charles Tyler.

Pastor Tyler says that because of this "revival season," already every department of church-life seems to have been strengthened.

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## Woman's Convention Was A Great Success

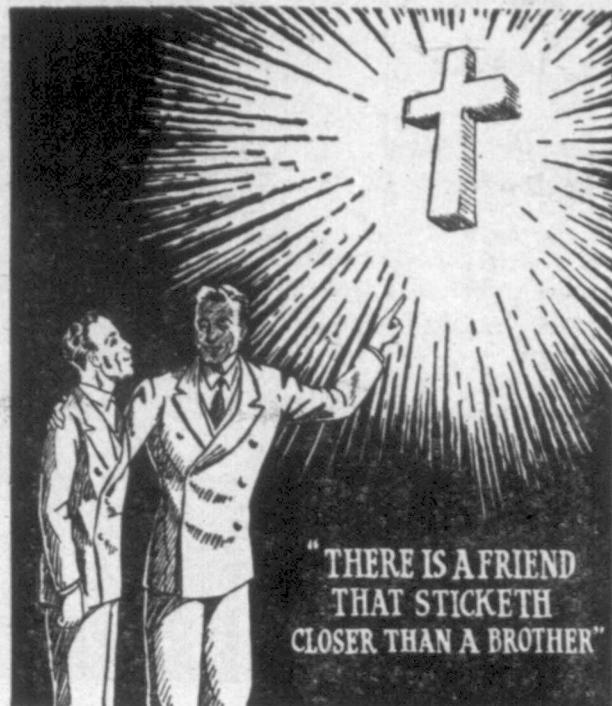
From Tuesday night, March 14 to noon Thursday, March 16 the Baptist State WMU was in session at Calvary Church, Jackson. The largest crowd in the history of the Mississippi WMU was present and from all sections of the state. Most of the time it was "standing room only."

It is probable that 1949 shows the greatest activity, growth and contributions ever made by Woman's Missionary Union. The larger part of their contributions went to Home and Foreign Missions, since the cause of missions lies close to the heart of the good women. In fact, it is well known by most of us that during depression days, Foreign Missions would have gone under but for their heroic efforts.

According to Miss Edwina Robinson, executive secretary of the Mississippi WMU there are now 2,406 organizations in the state. This is a gain of 147 for the year. There are now 167 full graded unions in the state, a gain of four for the year. The State Mission week of prayer yielded \$36,211, a gain of \$587 over 1948. The Home Mission week of prayer brought a total of \$49,447, a gain of \$7,947 and the Lottie Moon Foreign Mission Offering totaled \$75,032. Among other gifts, we note \$9,000 for the WMU Building at Birmingham and \$2,015 for aged ministers relief.

It is unquestionably true that no other group among Baptist people of Mississippi, of similar number, are quite as active and contribute so much in service and in means as do the women who make up Women's Missionary Union.

This group of women are deeply devotional or they would not, in



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THAT STICKETH  
CLOSER THAN A BROTHER"

the first place, belong to their missionary societies and, being thus devotional, their service overleaps the missionary purpose for which the local societies exist. It will be found that these women for the most part sing in the choirs, teach Sunday school classes, lead others to Christ and, like messengers of mercy, visit the sick in their respective communities.

In addition to all that has been said these women make the homes in their local communities and the building of Christian homes is certainly of paramount importance in this day, and in every day.

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## Christ Is Risen

Next Sunday April 9 is Easter. That Easter has no chronological reference to the resurrection of Christ is evident from the fact that it comes on one Sunday one year and two or three weeks earlier or later, as the case may be, the next year.

We care nothing for much of the pomp and pageantry that many churches associate with Easter but we glory in the Resurrection. For everything depends on the fact of the physical resurrection of our Lord. "If Christ be not raised, your faith is vain; ye are yet in your sins."

The world, whether Christian or pagan, bond or free, atheistic or agnostic, liberal or conservative, cannot get away from the fact of the Lord's death on Friday of that fateful week. Secular history as well as the Holy Scriptures substantiate the fact of his death.

The dying for others was neither the first nor the last instance of a person's laying down his life for others. We know of many who laid down their lives during the recent war to save a comrade or comrades.

Christ's death was but a part of God's plan for the world. His

resurrection was the crowning of God's love for a lost world. And remember well though many have died for others, Christ is the only person who ever rose from the dead.

Christ, dying on the cross, and buried in a borrowed tomb, with Roman guards stationed at the grave, was triumphant over death. He overcame the darkness of the grave and through his victory, we, too, have victory over death. The darkness of the grave is brightened by the light of His resurrection.

Christians through faith have an assurance that others do not have. But God's love would include every individual for "The Lord is not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance."

For Christians, every Lord's Day is Easter. Every Sunday, with its opportunities for worship should remind us of the joy of our Christian faith and that Christ is a risen and living Lord. Our mission is to do His will, to reflect His spirit and to magnify His name.

To all who read these lines we recommend a growing faith in our Lord—the risen Lord.

To you who know Him not, we commend to you our Savior, the risen Christ. Let His victory become victory for you through your faith in Him and this resurrection season, for Christ the Lord is risen.

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## A Changed Emphasis

We congratulate the American Legion on the "Go to Church Drive" under the leadership of National Commander George N. Craig who has called on the 17,410 posts and their 13,428 Auxiliary units to take the initiative in a nation-wide movement to bring America closer to God in the face of the perils of a super-atomic age. Too often in times past we have read of American Legion meetings that smacked of the worldly and

this new emphasis is refreshing and encouraging. It means much for this great veterans' organization to assume the leadership in a crusade which recognizes that the first armament must be spiritual.

We have often noted the motto of the American Legion, "For God and My Country." They now propose to translate this motto into action. The leadership of this powerful organization should mean much for the spiritual life of America. Certainly no one denies the fact that a revival of spiritual life is sorely needed today.

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## AN INSTRUCTION COURSE FOR THE NEWLY BAPTIZED

Prepared By LEONARD T. VAN HORN October, 1949

## LESSON NUMBER "6"

Subject: THE COMPLETE DOCTRINE OF SALVATION.

- 1 Q. What is conversion.  
A. An act of God whereby He causes the regenerated, in their conscious life to turn to Him in faith and repentance. (John 3:6) (Acts 2:38,41)
- 2 Q. What is the difference between regeneration and conversion?  
A. Regeneration is God's act and conversion is our act.
- 3 Q. Why is conversion necessary?  
A. It is necessary because the original sin of Adam was passed on to all men and all men are sinners. (Rom. 5:12,19) (Rom. 3:23)
- 4 Q. What is sin?  
A. Sin is lack of conformity until or transgression of, the moral law of God. (Eph. 2:3) (I John 3:4)
- 5 Q. What is justification?  
A. An act of God's free grace, wherein He pardons all our sins and accepts us as righteous in His sight, through Christ. (II Cor. 5:21)
- 6 Q. What is sanctification?  
A. The work of the Holy Spirit in the Christian whereby the soul is more and more purified. II (Cor. 7:1) (I Thess. 5:23)
- 7 Q. Is sanctification complete in this life?  
A. No, it is a progressive thing, increasing to the end of this earthly life. (Rom. 7:18) (I John 1:8) (Phil. 1:6)
- 8 Q. What is election?  
A. God's eternal purpose to save some of the human race in and by Jesus Christ. (Eph. 1:4) (Rom. 8:28-30)
- 9 Q. Would that mean that God is not just?  
A. No, for all men were deservedly condemned, and the Scriptures teach that salvation is purely by grace. (Rom. 3:23) (Eph. 2:1)
- 10 Q. Will the believer be saved to the end?  
A. Yes, the believer will persevere to the end. (John 10:27-29)
- 11 Q. Will good works save us?  
A. No, our salvation is of faith, not of works. (Eph. 2:8,9)

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THE LIVERPOOL CHURCH, YAZOO County, is making plans for a revival to begin July 30. Rev. Jack Henry, of Fort Worth, Texas, has been secured as the evangelist; Mr. Henry was formerly of Yazoo City. Rev. Robert L. Martin is the pastor.

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## THE BAPTIST RECORD

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## Providence Has BTU Study Course

There were 78 enrolled in a study course at Providence Church, Hattiesburg, March 13-17. Each night a religious film was shown as a special feature. Manuals were taught in each union.

J. L. Campbell is the director and Rev. E. C. James is the pastor. The pastor is also the associational BTU director.

Since June 1948 there have been 391 study course awards granted, 88 additions to the church of which 55 were by baptism, a typewriter was purchased, a bulletin service begun, a driveway blacktopped around the church, Sunday School enrollment has increased from 220 to 344 and BTU from 125 to 189, the church has been completely furnished with black boards, maps and pianos and the Sunday School became standard in November.

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## FINDS ARABIA EXOTIC

(Continued from Page One) at Bahrain in preparation for founding missions in Arabia."

Mrs. Storm says the country is largely uncivilized in that it "has no education system, little medical care and few hospitals."

Dr. and Mrs. Storm are the only Christians King Ibn Saud has ever allowed to live at the capital, Readh. Dr. Storm is the royal physician.

Customs and style of dress, she points out, have not changed in centuries.

Despite reports to the contrary, says Mrs. Storm, American oil companies have done little to improve the living standard.

"The oil companies aid only the ones immediately in contact with them, such as truck drivers or mechanics. They have brought immense wealth to the rulers but little to the common Arab. They have not brought hospitals or any other fundamentals of civilization."

When Mrs. Storm speaks of her work as a missionary, her face lights up and her blue eyes sparkle. She tells of Sheik Abdullah of Qatar, who, during a smallpox epidemic, had the royal family inoculated by Dr. and Mrs. Storm, but refused to let them inoculate his people. That was 10 years ago.

"We are making progress," she said. "Just recently we persuaded him to build a hospital at Qatar."

Mrs. Storm's life reads like something out of a novel. Born in Aberdeen, Scotland, she was reared in Newport News, Virginia. She received a B. A. degree from Randolph Macon, an M. A. at the University of Virginia and a Ph.D in Latin and Greek from Cornell. She met her husband when he lectured at Cornell. She was a missionary at Shanghai and Peiping, China, six years before going to Alaska. She speaks Chinese and Arabic.

Her two children, Robert and Janet, attended school in Kodalkand, India, and are currently taking a pre-medical course at University of Virginia. They want to follow in their parent's footsteps.

Mrs. Storm is currently writing a book for the Atlantic Monthly Press to be called "Desert Doctor's Wife," and has just completed a study book called "Highways in the Desert."

## C. O. Hardy Ordained At Hurley Church



C. O. HARDY

C. O. Hardy was recently ordained to the full ministry of the gospel by the Hurley Church.

Rev. Zeno Wells led in the questioning. Rev. Wallace Harrell, served as clerk, Rev. J. F. Brock led in ordination prayer, Rev. H. D. Walker, pastor, preached the sermon.

Members of the examining council included: Rev. Zeno Wells, Rev. Wallace Harrell, Rev. H. D. Walker, Rev. J. F. Brock, Rev. W. L. Warren, Rev. J. D. Crosby and Rev. Curtis Miller.

Mr. Hardy is pastor at the Ft. Bayou Church, Jackson county.

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## Week-End Revival Adds 16 At Holly Grove, Simpson Co.

A weekend revival was held at Holly Grove Church in Simpson County recently. Rev. Pete Steelman did the preaching. The pastor is Rev. Thomas E. Lee.

There were sixteen additions, 14 of whom came on profession of faith, and one rededication.

Pastor Lee states that the revival was the result of much prayer.

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## First, Jackson Sets New Record of 2,063 In Sunday School

An all time high attendance mark in Sunday School was set by the First Church, Jackson, last Sunday. A total of 2,063 was recorded, the largest attendance ever reached by the church. Superintendent W. G. Watson is jubilant over the achievement for the attendance exceeded by 63 the goal of 2,000 set some weeks ago.

This is the second time First Church has achieved a remarkable attendance record in recent weeks. In February the Training Union reached an attendance of 953 on a goal of 700.

The remarkable record set Sunday marked the fourth anniversary of the pastor, Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, and gave great impetus to the week of special evangelistic services now in progress.

One of the features of the high attendance Sunday was a special service in the Junior Department in which 30 boys and girls made professions of faith in Christ. Many of them are joining the church in the services night by night.

## BAPTIST TRAINING UNION

Auber J. Wilds, State Secretary — Box 530, Jackson 105, Mississippi  
Associates: W. C. Morgan, Louise Hill, Aleene Johnson

The Intermediate Sword Drill to be held in each District Training Union Convention.

The Unfinished Quotation, Character and Doctrinal Drills we will use in our District Convention this summer are those in the *Intermediate Quarterlies* July 1, 1949 to July 1, 1950. We will also use the Scripture Searching Drill and the Book Drill. We are not interested in developing just one individual to the exclusion of all others. We desire greatly that each leader will make much of the drill all through the year, training ALL the members in the use of the Bible.

The plan for our contest is for the union to select two swordsmen, the boy with the highest score and the girl with the highest score. They will represent the church in the Associational Elimination Contest.

The winners there, the boy with the highest score and the girl with the highest score will represent the Association in the District Convention. The winners, the boy with the highest score and the girl with the highest score at the District Convention will enter the State Intermediate Sword Drill to be held at the State Training Union Convention, December 28-29 at First Church, Columbus. For the State Convention Sword Drill, we will use the drills given in the quarterlies January 1—December 31, 1950. The unfinished quotation drills will be the memory verses given in the quarterlies January—December, 1950. If your association does not have an elimination contest, your church winners, a boy and a girl, not two girls or two boys, may come to the District Convention and take part in the drill.

The Intermediate who wins first place in the State Convention will be eligible to represent Mississippi in the Southwide Intermediate Sword Drill at Ridgecrest.

## DO YOU HAVE A RESERVATION AT RIDGECREST

We have a card from Mrs. F. H. Richardson, Black Mountain, N. C., saying that she has some space in the Dixie Cottage Apartments, Ridgecrest, N. C., located on Royal Gorge Road, five minute walk from the dining hall at the assembly. Eleven efficiency apartments, each with private bath and kitchenette completely equipped, facilities for group eating if desired. There are family apartments for two, four, or six, and also accommodations for church groups up to fifty. Prices reasonable. If interested write Mrs. Richardson for details.

1,745 Study Course Awards issued in the state in February. The number continues to increase. The Adult unions received more than twice the number of any other department, the Juniors were second, the Intermediates third and the Young People fourth.

The "D" Day programs have been marvelous: In a few instances the attendance was less than last year but the total attendance was almost exactly the same as last year in the same associations. When you read this

we will have held 49 of these meetings. We find a growing interest in the work and a better type of work being done. This is as it should be as we learn a better way of doing it.

Beginning next Sunday, April 9th we hold these "D" Day programs in the following Associations: 9, Grenada, 10, Yalobusha, Camp Ground; 11, Cowart, Tallahatchie; 12, Bruce, Calhoun; 13, Houlka, Chickasaw; 14, Ackerman, Choctaw; 15, Starkville, Oktibbeha Co.; 16, Aberdeen, Monroe; 19, Trinity, Fulton; 20, Burnsville, Tishomingo; 21, Alcorn; 22, Wheeler, Prentiss; 23, Lee. Plan to be with us. On week days the program is at night starting this time of the year about 6:30. On Sunday afternoon 2-4.

## Music Emphasis

## SUNFLOWER ORGANIZES MUSIC ASSOCIATION

On Sunday, March 19, the first meeting of the Sunflower Music Association was held in the Sunflower Baptist Church, Sunflower, Mississippi. Rev. W. L. Marsh is the pastor of the Sunflower Baptist Church. The meeting was called by Bro. Marsh, and the interest of Bro. Marsh was responsible for the first meeting.

About a year ago Bro. Marsh made some inquiry about such an organization, from the State Music Section of Training, and recently, a meeting of several interested persons including Rev. W. L. Marsh of Sunflower, Mr. J. L. Jenkins of Indianola, Mr. Sam Jones of Indianola, and W. C. Morgan, director of the State Music Section of Training, Jackson, Miss. was held in Indianola for the purpose of laying plans for the first meeting. The date was set for the Sunday afternoon of March 19. The date for the next meeting was set, and a committee was appointed to recommend the officers at the next meeting.

Although, there was much rain on Sunday, March 19, and many of the churches could not send delegations due to high water, in spite of the rain, they had a splendid attendance with 94 people present. According to the report, a fine program was enjoyed by everyone. The various song leaders led in plenty of fine congregational singing. Two of the leaders in the singing were Bro. Marsh of Sunflower, and Dr. Natt Tracy of Ruleville. Several special numbers were presented by groups from the different churches.

This is a great start for the Sunflower Music Association. The Constitution recommended by the State Music Section of Training was adopted.

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## Bethel Adds 19

Rev. Travis Luncford, who is a student at Mississippi College, did the preaching in a five day Youth Revival at Bethel Church in Sunflower county. Rev. Charles Phillips is the pastor.

During the meeting there were 19 additions to the church, fourteen on profession of faith.

## 1st, Kosciusko Revival Adds Forty-One MANY REDEDICATE LIVES

A revival was held at the First Church, Kosciusko, March 1-12. Dr. Arthur Fox of Morristown, Tennessee, was the evangelist and R. P. James, Minister of Music and Education, Second Church Little Rock, Arkansas, was in charge of the music. Mr. James also did much personal work.

Large crowds attended the meetings. There were 41 additions to the church, 34 of whom were on profession of faith. More than 100 leaders and officers and young people rededicated their lives.

Rev. A. B. Pierce, the pastor, is enthusiastic about the work of Dr. Fox and Mr. James.

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### MRS. ALLIE SIMS MAGEE

WHEREAS, today we pause to pay tribute to Mrs. Allie Sims Magee, a member of Dinan Baptist Church, who passed away Oct. 6, 1949. Mrs. Magee had been in ill health for a long time. Her suffering grew more and more intense and death came as a relief to the patient victim.

THEREFORE, be it resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, a copy sent to the Baptist Record for publication, and a copy retained for the minutes of the church.

Respectfully submitted,  
MRS. CARLOS OWENS  
MRS. JIMMIE MAGEE  
MRS. HOSEA LUTER

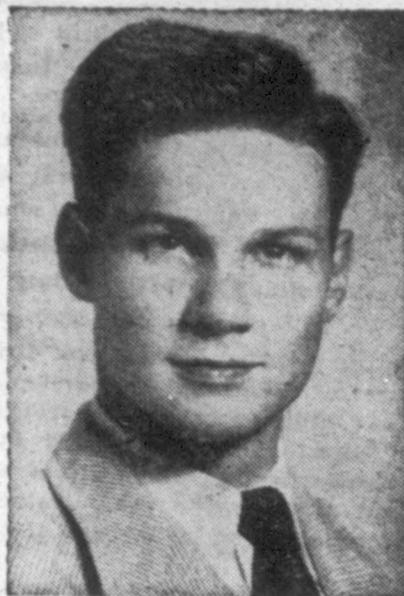
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## Davis Memorial Adds 20 In Spring Revival

A Spring Revival at Davis Memorial Church, Jackson, was sponsored by the Training Union, March 27-April 2. The pastor, Rev. Gordon Sansing, was assisted by Rev. Earl C. Edwards, who is pastor of the East McComb Church.

During the week there were 20 additions, 13 of whom were on profession of faith, and a number of rededications. This makes a total of 93 additions since the coming of Mr. Sansing on November 15.

## Charles Gentry Ordained At Baldwyn



CHARLES GENTRY

Charles Gentry was ordained to the full ministry of the gospel on March 19 by First Church, Baldwyn.

The Examining Council was composed of the following ministers: J. R. Davis, G. B. Basden, J. D. Thompson, and Robert L. Palmer, chairman.

Mr. Davis delivered the ordination sermon, and Mr. Thompson led the ordination prayer. Mr. Palmer presented the Bible. A charge was given to the church by Mr. Basden and the charge to the candidate by Mr. Thompson.

The deacons in the congregation joined in the Laying of the Hands.

Mr. Gentry is a student at Mississippi College and his church membership is in the Clinton Church.

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**"TRUE CHRISTIANITY OFFERS THE** only solution to man's problems and fears. Of this we are positive. Critical world conditions demand haste on our part. It is the writer's conviction that God has given us an opportunity that excels that of Christians of any other generation."—C. E. Matthews, The Sunday School Builder.

## WANTED!! 500 Consecrated Christians

To answer this desperate plea for a ministry that is getting results. The cry of hungry hearts for the message of salvation and the call of broken homes and lives for the peace that only God can give, affords opportunity to 500 consecrated Christians to do a work that will be a monument to Christian service.

10,000 requests come each month to the Mississippi Baptist Hour for copies of radio messages. The Mississippi Baptist Hour does not have funds to take care of this great need. Yet, the challenge must be met and the requests answered. Every sermon copy mailed means added emphasis to this Gospel Radio Ministry.

The MEMORIAL BAPTIST PRESS has assumed full responsibility for the distribution of these Gospel Messages. This organization is a non-profit institution dedicated to the propagation of the Gospel in and through aid to local churches. Thus, the opportunity for 500 consecrated Christians.

The only answer to this great challenge is for 500 Christians over the state to bind themselves together to do the job. 500 contributing at least \$1.00 each month will mean hundreds saved and thousands on the road to spiritual happiness. Broken homes will be mended, lives will be salvaged and God's Word will be distributed.

Since we want to send out membership cards and also monthly bulletins to give an account of the work, we must limit the membership to 500. The first 500 that answer will be given preference in membership. Remember—only \$1.00 each month or \$10.00 for one year and you will be a member of a group doing one of the greatest pieces of work that men can lend their talents to do.

Send your contribution today and be sure to enclose your name and address. Send as a designated gift through the office of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board - Jackson, Mississippi.

Remember! We cannot answer the mail of tomorrow unless we hear from you today. There are souls lost and dying between your opportunity of this moment and our distribution of God's Word tomorrow. Your decision now means the salvation of these souls or their damnation. Please!! Please!! Help us to help them.

## — BROTHERHOOD DEPARTMENT —

W. R. ROBERTS, Secretary

EDWINA MAY, Office Secretary

### THE PROGRAM OF THE BROTHERHOOD

THE PROGRAM OF THE BROTHERHOOD IS EVANGELISM, STEWARDSHIP, CHURCH LOYALTY, AND BIBLE DOCTRINE.

These four foundation stones are sufficiently broad to cover every phase and need of church and denominational work, and from them will branch all activities engaged in by the Brotherhood.

Southern Baptists need something in their organizational life through which the talents and efforts of the host of men who have their names on the church rolls might be enlisted and utilized for Christ. Far too many men of the churches are unconcerned about the responsibilities and privileges involved in church membership. Every church needs the consecrated, devoted life of each man who has identified himself with it. To lead the men of Southern Baptist churches into a realization of the obligations and privileges of church membership, and to provide a medium through which they can serve, is the chief function of the Brotherhood Movement.

The Brotherhood is a service agency in the church, of and for the men. It seeks, through the projection and promotion of a worthy and well-rounded program of church and de-

nominational centered activities, to reach the unenlisted men with a challenge that will command their interest, respect, and effort in magnifying the whole work and ministry of the church and denomination. Never should the activities of the Brotherhood be independent of the program of the church. Outside and unrelated projects are not to be engaged in. The only claim for the existence of such an organization is to discover, develop, and utilize men in promoting the work of Christ through the church. From the above statements it is readily seen that church membership is a prerequisite to enrollment in the Brotherhood. Every man of the church is a potential member of the Brotherhood, but church membership does not automatically make him a member. He becomes a member of the Brotherhood after he has expressed his desire to identify himself with the organization and to support and promote its program. To more easily indicate this expressed desire it is recommended that the Brotherhood Enrollment Card be filed out by all members enrolled. The use of this card not only serves as a commitment, but when properly filled out, gives vital information for assigning the member to the proper committee.

## Department of Temperance Activities

W. L. HOLCOMB, Director

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### TEN COMMANDMENTS FOR TEMPERANCE WORKERS

These ten commandments were given by the pastor of the West Athens Community Church, Gardena, California, the Rev. Bob Wheatley, at the Southern California Youth Temperance Council Rally held recently in Los Angeles. They were printed in THE NATIONAL VOICE, Vol. 80, No. 8, February 23, 1950, page 6.

**"BE DILIGENT"**—II Peter 3:14.

I. THOU SHALT BE A MAN OR WOMAN FOR CHRIST.

A. Be "strong in the Lord, and in the power of His might."

B. We need not passive but ACTIVE workers in this fight for the right.

C. We need courageous fighters, "soldiers for Christ."

**II. THOU SHALT BE PRAYERFUL.**

A. Our prayer ought to be, "Lord, what wilt thou have me to do in this fight against liquor and its evils?"

B. We cannot fight this battle in our own strength. This is the Lord's battle and we must take our orders from Him.

C. Fellowship with the Father will increase our faith and put it to work against alcohol.

**III. THOU SHALT DO SOME WRITING.**

A. Write to the magazines, radio stations, newspapers, and television concerning the liquor ads.

B. Be fair when you write. Bear a true and living testimony for the Lord. Endeavor to win them over to Christ.

C. Cancel your orders to magazines that carry liquor ads and tell them why.

### IV. THOU SHALT DO SOME TALKING.

A. Not just among ourselves but to our neighbors and friends and to the ones that we do business with.

B. Patronize only places where liquor is not sold. BUY DRY AND TELL WHY.

C. Learn the facts and then present them to others in love.

**V. THOU SHALT MAKE TEMPERANCE WORK A VITAL PART OF THE PROGRAM OF THE CHURCH.**

A. A Y.T.C. unit is needed in EVERY church throughout America.

B. We need to train our young people in the facts, thus helping them to carry the truth back to the schools and to their friends.

C. We need a training program, well-rounded and well-balanced, for the youth and for the adults.

(To Be Continued Next Week)

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## H. H. Ward Becomes Carroll-Montgomery County Missionary

Rev. H. H. Ward has moved to Winona to take up the work of associational missionary of Carroll and Montgomery associations. He and his family were received with a well filled pantry.

Mr. Ward came to the new field from the pastorate of the Ecru Church. During his ministry there he led in the construction of a six-room brick veneer pastorage which is debt free, and a full-time program was promoted.

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Sunday School and Training Union		
Attendance		
April 2, 1950		
Laurel, First	631	150
Lucedale	375	122
Slayden Baptist Ch.	97	57
Main St. Hattiesburg	906	290
West Laurel	455	139
Second Avenue, Laurel	450	143
Joe Wheeler Chapel, Laurel	41	
Brooklyn	99	66
Rawls Springs, (Lebanon Assoc)	176	135
East Moss Point	246	106
Chester (Choctaw County)	67	
Evergreen (Winston County)	83	95
Houlka (Chickasaw County)	90	54
Goss	147	132
East McComb	531	225
Bogue Chitto (Pike County)	112	117
Siloam (Simpson County)	60	73
Bethlehem (Jones County)	172	112
Carmel (Lawrence County)	152	148
Louisville, First	497	105
Clarksdale	612	151
Mantee	100	
Zion (Pontotoc County)	109	52
Ingomar	149	59
Cherry Creek	87	59
Bunker Hill, Columbia	110	160
Beulah Baptist (Simpson County)	187	202
Union (Alcorn County)	34	78
East Louisville	70	38
West Corinth	188	94
Brookhaven, First	719	212
Hamilton St. Chapel, Brookhaven	112	90
Central Chapel, Brookhaven	113	89
McComb, First	601	156
Union, (Pike County)	65	72
Gulfport, First	762	185
Columbus, First	904	291
Bethel (Pearl River County)	117	106
Crystal Springs	675	183
Carson	109	113
County Line (Copiah County)	126	65
Fair River (Lincoln County)	117	68
Long Creek	102	64
Mt Zion (Lincoln County)	114	65
Corinth, Tate Street	312	96
Big Creek	93	56
Ruth	96	112
Kosciusko, First	555	202
Pearlhaven, Brookhaven	207	101
Calvary (Amite County)	85	120
Harmony (Tippah County)	109	102
Marion	107	109
Bethlehem (Scott County)	115	66
Union (Pearl River County)	201	180
Paul Truitt Memorial	213	138
Forest Hill	147	145
Meridian, First	814	160
Meridian, Fifteenth Avenue	568	135
Meridian, Highland	544	196
Meridian, Forty-First Avenue	315	101
Meridian, Poplar Springs Drive	307	126
Meridian, Poplar Spring Drive Miss.	32	
Meridian, Oakland Heights	167	79
Meridian, Oak Grove	156	105
Pascagoula, First	657	237
Pascagoula, Eastlawn Mission	49	31
Pascagoula, Unity Mission	58	62
Pascagoula, McArthur Mission	47	
Jackson, First	2,063	541
Jackson, Southside	309	122
Jackson, Northside	788	186
Jackson, Calvary	1,431	367
Jackson, Calvary Mission	43	46
Jackson, Davis Memorial	400	252
Jackson, Parkway	1,071	302
Jackson, Parkway Chapel	105	45
Jackson, Elraine	134	99
Jackson, East Side	104	33
Jackson, Van Winkle	459	244
Jackson, Daniel Memorial	335	120
Byram (Hinds County)	120	89
Center (Union County)	153	87
New Albany, First	772	184
March 26, 1950		
Forest Hill	170	155
Mantee	98	
Ruth	78	132
Providence (Forest County)	132	96
Friendship (Lincoln County)	98	81
Bethlehem (Jones County)	156	147
Hebron (Jones County)	81	77
Paul Truitt Memorial	165	107
Pearlhaven, Brookhaven	206	106
McComb, First	604	144
East Louisville	75	50
Delaz	55	51



The Southern Railway system recently presented the locomotive bell shown to the left to the congregation of River Avenue Baptist Church, Hattiesburg. Shown with the bell from left, J. L. Christian, master mechanic of the N. O. and N. E. division of the Southern system; Mrs. M. L. Knight of 209 McSwain st, chairman of the bell committee of the church; Pastor Garland McInnis; N. O. and N. E. Superintendent, J. L. Wilson; N. O. and N. E. Division Freight and Passenger Agent W. R. Anderson; and E. E. Read, local freight agent. (Staff photo by Don Colmer).

## Damascus Church Ordains Five Deacons

On April 2, the Damascus Church in Madison county ordained the following men as deacons: Ira Bradshaw, Roy Hopson, Vester Mason, Marvin Lowry and Robert Hammack.

Senior Deacon Mayor Hill Bradshaw, Rev. Carl O'Neal, Rev. Jimmy Thompson and Dr. Joseph Pettus assisted in the service. One of the largest crowds that the church has had was present for the services. Dr. Pettus acted as moderator.

The Damascus Church is one of the fastest growing little churches in the state. Rev. Archie Chapman is pastor.

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## 13 Additions In Monticello Revival

Rev. W. L. Comperre, pastor Northside Church, Jackson, and his son, William Lowry, who is a student at Mississippi College, were mighty used of God in a revival with the Monticello Church March 12-19.

Seven souls were saved and six were added by letter. On the closing day there were 257 in Sunday School attendance, the highest score ever reached.

In setting up a program of work for the year, the church is providing for Youth Week April 2-9 and planning for the employment of Miss Betty Winn, a popular local public school faculty members, as a youth worker for two months, and a Youth Revival

## Morton To Erect Educational Annex At a Cost of \$40,000

The Morton Church will begin work on a new educational annex the first part of April. It is to be a three-story structure 42' by 62' to be located to the rear of the present building. When the building is completed it will house all the departments of the Sunday School from the nursery through the Young People. One half of the ground floor will be a recreational center where all the social activities of the church will be held. Adjacent to the recreational room will be the kitchen that will aid in the social life of the church.

R. G. Foster, of Jackson, is the architect and Jimmy Lee Lewis, of Morton, is the general supervisor. The Building Committee from the church is composed of Jack Lee, chairman; Jack Stuart and William G. Walter. Rev. R. Y. Gerrard is the pastor.

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"HOW KNOW GOD'S WILL FOR your life? Ask him! Ask him with complete surrender of your own will, with deepest love and devotion for him and his cause, and he will reveal his will for you."—John L. Hill, *The Baptist Training Union Magazine*.

the first week in August. The team for the Youth Revival consists of Miss Betty Winn, Miss Ann Fulilove, another local faculty member, Miss Geneva Davis, student at Mississippi College, and Rev. Roe Wilson, pastor, Summit Church. Rev. D. O. Horne is the pastor.

## Southern Railway Bell Presented To Church

### Formerly Used On Engine

Hattiesburg—A bronze bell that once bonged warnings from a Southern Railway engine now calls the members of the River Avenue Baptist church to worship.

The bell was recently presented to the church in special dedicatory services conducted by the pastor, Rev. Garland McInnis, and officials of the Southern Railway system. It is one of more than 200 bells presented to churches by the railroad.

R. C. Wilson, superintendent of the New Orleans and Northeastern Railroad division, introduced the principal speaker, J. L. Christian, master mechanic of the N. O. and N. E. at Meridian.

"In presenting this bell, which has served the Southern so faithful for a number of years, we hope it will serve you in calling your people to worship," Mr. Wilson said.

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**SPRING HOLIDAYS ENDED AT MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE** Thursday, March 30, when the spring term began. Forty students completed work for graduation last term and will receive their degrees at commencement May 29. A number of new students have enrolled for this term and many will come for the summer terms which will begin June 5, when some graduate work will be offered in addition to the regular courses now being given.

"THE PRAYER FOR GUIDANCE IS not a matter to be attended to once in a lifetime or even on special occasions. It must be habitual."—Walter L. Moore, *The Baptist Training Union Magazine*.



Mr. C. C. Elsey, Aurora, Missouri will be available for revival meetings after Jan. 1, 1950. He has had many years experience directing music and leading in evangelistic campaigns. He was for many years with The Home Mission Board. Write him direct to above address or in care of E. N. Elsey, Box 55, Clinton, Mississippi.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

E. C. WILLIAMS, Secretary  
 PAUL D. BOOTHE, Associate  
 MISS CAROLYN MADISON, Elementary Secretary  
 MRS. CECIL H. SMITH, Office Secretary



Plan now to attend one of the two Convention-wide Visual Aids Workshops. They are planned for all church leaders. Special conferences and workshop periods are being planned for Sunday School officers and teachers.

For further details and a copy of the tentative programs, write to the Visual Education Service, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn.

## MORE NEW ORGANIZATIONS

Reports of new units of the work just keep coming in, and that is just the way it should be. Write us of any new units you put in.

A new Mission has been organized at Brandon, and another in South McComb. That means more people for Bible study. We reach the people as we go where they are.

Two new Young People's classes, one Young People's department, two new adult classes, and two new Primary classes have been organized recently in the South McComb Baptist Church, Rev. James A. Bryant, pastor.

A new Extension department has been organized at Ingomar.

Yes, every time we put in a new unit we reach some new people for Bible study and Christian development. So, then, let's watch the work carefully and keep on organizing new units of work.

## PREPARING LIBRARY BOOKS

"Preparing Books for Circulation" is the name of a new leaflet just out to help library workers prepare their books in the best way for use.

This booklet will be gladly sent to anyone on request to your state Sunday School Department. It is very good. Get it.

## PETAL FIRST PLANS TO TRAIN

Pastor Aubrey J. Cothen, superintendent and two other of the men of the Petal First Church came to our office and said they wanted help on planning a long-range, intensive Sunday School training program for their officers and teachers.

How thrilled we were to assist them in such a noble cause! They said frankly they wanted better work done and they knew that training of the workers was the answer. How right they were! Congratulations!

## CHRISTIAN RECREATION LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

Jerome O. Williams

A new feature will be added to the program of the Convention-wide assembly at Ridgecrest, North Carolina, this summer. It is a conference for leadership on Christian Recreation. It will be conducted in connection with the other conferences during the week of the Bible Conference, August 17-23. Dr. Jack B. Fellows of the Central Baptist Theological Seminary, Kansas City, Kansas,

## 50, 40 &amp; 25 Years Ago

By J. L. BOYD, SR.

## 50 YEARS AGO

Rev. S. E. Tull of Magnolia, student in the Southwestern Baptist University of Tennessee won the honors in the Inter-Collegiate Oratorical Contest over competitors representing institutions in Kentucky, Mississippi and Tennessee.

## 40 YEARS AGO

Rev. J. W. Steen of Steen's Creek (Florence) who is in the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary at Louisville, Ky., writes of the "great privilege and real joy" to be in that great institution studying for his life's work.

Rev. Theo. Whitfield, Mississippian, in Missouri writes of having been in a great revival meeting of seventeen days duration, resulting in 100 additions to the church.

The First Church, Starkville, closed a great day on a previous Sunday, rounding out a collection of \$700 for Foreign Missions, to the great delight of Pastor W. A. Jordan.

Rev. W. R. Cooper reports having been in a three-weeks meeting with his brother, Pastor M. R. Cooper, in Eldorado, Illinois, which resulted in a "great meeting."

## 25 YEARS AGO

The First Baptist Church of Natchez moves into their new \$75,000 house of worship to the great delight of the 650 members and Pastor W. A. Borum.

Pastor J. A. Barnhill writes enthusiastically of the Bible Institute at Sumner with help of three other Delta pastors.

## J. T. Chapman Accepts Bethel Pastorate

## Resigns At Clear Springs

Rev. James Chapman has resigned the pastorate of the Clear Springs Church in Smith county to accept the pastorate of the Bethel Church at Newton, effective March 31.

Mr. Chapman served the Clear Springs church for two years. During his ministry, both electricity and a butane gas system were installed. He also led in the construction of a new church building which provides sufficient Sunday School rooms.

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## Okolona BTU Study Course Enrolls 106

A Training Union study course was taught at the Okolona Church March 20-24. There were 106 enrolled. Rev. S. E. Byler is the pastor and Miss Joe Allyne Wesson is the Training Union Director.

Teachers were as follows: Rev. D. D. Satterwhite, Houston, teaching the Adults "A Winning Witness"; Mrs. Marguerite Jolly Hammet, Yazoo City, teaching "Winning Others to Christ" to the Young People; Rev. S. J. Smith, Manteo, teaching "A Faith to Live By" to the Intermediates; Miss Jane Hodges, Houston, teaching "The Junior and His Church"; Mrs. S. E. Byler had charge of the Story Hour, giving them flannel-graph stories.

During the feature period each night after a service of chorus singing, refreshments were served by the WMS. Three movies on "The Life of the Apostle Paul" were shown.

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## Pearl River College Elects BSU Officers

The Baptist Student Union of Pearl River Junior College recently elected its new Executive Council. The Executive Council members are the trustees of the spiritual ideals of the campus; they are the directors in the schedule of religious activities. They serve as the planning body for the religious activities on the campus.

The Executive Council members are as follows: President, Jimmy Albrition, Picayune; Social Vice-President, Lourie Hancock, Picayune; Devotional Vice-President, Joyce Duncan, Columbia; Enlistment Vice President, James Deen, Bassfield; Secretary-Treasurer, Shannon Martin, Carriere; Music Director, Elizabeth Rogers, Baxerville; Publicity Director, Barbara Broome, Sumrall; Student Magazine Rep., James Lott, Columbia Sunday School Rep., Francis Jean Smith, Poplarville; Training Union Rep., Bennie Clark, Poplarville; Married Students Rep., Bennie Clark, Poplarville; YWA Representative, Flora Williams, Columbia; High School Rep., Joe Ford, Poplarville; Faculty Advisor, Miss Lula Webb, Magnolia; Pastor, Dr. Judson Chastain, Poplarville; Student Secretary, Dora Etta Soomon, Pensacola, Florida.

The formal installation service for these officers was held at the First Church of Poplarville at the evening worship service, 7:00, April 2, 1960. The theme of the service was "The Light of the World is Jesus."

## Speights Resigns At Tate Street, Corinth Accepts Bunker Hill Church



REV. H. B. SPEIGHTS

Rev. H. B. Speights has resigned the pastorate of Tate Street Church, Corinth, and has accepted a call from the Bunker Hill Church, Marion county, Columbia.

Mr. Speights is a graduate of Mississippi College and New Orleans Theological Seminary.

He has served the Tate Street Church almost six years. Financially the budget has climbed from \$5,000 in 1944 to \$17,500 in 1950. More than \$50,000 in improvements have been added to the church property, including a new pastorum and a new church building, building lots purchased, new piano and pews, and some improvements added to the old church building which is now being used as the educational building. This gives Tate Street Church a valuation of \$75,000.

In 1944 the Sunday School attendance was approximately 130 average. Now the average is well above 300. The Training Union has grown from an average attendance of 40 to 140. Under Mr. Speights' leadership a Brotherhood was organized which has steadily grown in membership and service. The church membership has increased from 310 to 631.

Mrs. Speights also served faithfully in the various organizations.

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## Clinton Ordains Five Deacons

Clinton, Mississippi, April 3, 1960. The Clinton Baptist Church ordained five new deacons Sunday night and added two others who had already been ordained. Dr. John Wade Landrum, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Canton, preached the ordination sermon and L. U. Amason, a deacon in the Calvary Baptist Church of Jackson, spoke on "The Duties of a Deacon."

Those ordained were Sam Cochran, Fred Gordon, Monroe Landrum, Charles Tolbert and O. R. Johnson. The two already ordained were Professor R. R. Pearce and F. D. Matheny. This brought the number of deacons on the Board to thirty. Joe Burris is chairman of the Board.

Dr. Landrum was reared and educated in Clinton and is a nephew of Monroe Landrum, one of those ordained, and of Miss Minnie Landrum, missionary in Brazil.

## Sparks &amp; Splinters

**SOUTHERN BAPTISTS ARE BEING** warned by Foreign Mission Board authorities about a Samuel Vila of Spain, who has threatened Baptist unity in Spain. Any appeals addressed directly to churches in this country by Mr. Vila should be ignored. Formerly a Baptist, he is now leading an inter-denominational organization considered to be a schismatic Baptist movement.

**THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE** Southern Baptist Chaplains Association will be a breakfast 11 may at the Toffenetti Restaurant, 66 W. Monroe St., Chicago, Illinois. The breakfast hour is 7:30. We expect both chief of chaplains of the Army and Navy to be our guests for the occasion. Price of plates are \$1.25 per person; limit of 300. Tickets will be at chaplains booth. Attention is directed to fact that service as a chaplain any branch, any war makes one eligible for membership. Inquiries invited by Harry V. Smith, Mercer University, Macon, Georgia and T. Baron Gibson, Valdosta, Georgia.

**THE BAPTIST RECORD HAS RECEIVED** a copy of the minutes of the Newton County Association, which will hold its next meeting in the Newton Church. On the back of the cover is a map of the entire county, showing the highways through the county and the location of all its churches.

**REV. W. L. HOWSE, WHO SERVED** long and faithfully as a Mississippi pastor and who is now retired, recently celebrated his 81st birthday. Relatives and friends gave him a party and showered him with gifts.

**CHICAGO WILL GO ON DAYLIGHT** saving time the last Sunday in April. This means that the clock will be one hour ahead of the Central Standard Time, the same as the Eastern Standard time and one hour ahead of Eastern Daylight.

**THE BAPTIST RECORD GREATLY** appreciates a nice list of new and renewal subscriptions from New Zion Church, Walthall county. The list was sent by Arnold F. Nelson, whose address is Route 2, Tylertown.

**AT THE MONTHLY COVERED-DISH** supper, members of Center Terrace Church, Canton, surprised the pastor, Rev. G. O. Estes, on March 26 with a shower of personal items for his birthday. A similar party had honored him at Christmas. The Sunday School attendance is more than 50 above the average attendance a year ago.

**THE BAPTIST RECORD HAS RECEIVED** a copy of the minutes of the Yalobusha County Association. The moderator is Rev. L. J. Crumby and the clerk is L. D. Clements. The minutes are well prepared and the printers did a good job.

**BLUE MOUNTAIN, MISS., MARCH 30** — A group of fine arts students from Blue Mountain College accompanied by Dr. William A. Hoppe, head of the music department, and Miss Linda Berry of the voice faculty, presented a concert Tuesday afternoon before a large audience at the Woman's Club of Tupelo. Members of other cultural clubs in the city were guests. Dr. Hoppe conducted a string ensemble composed of Olive Belle Hall, Knoxville, Tenn., first violin; Nancy Jo Wallis, Harrisburg, Ill., second violin; Maurine Sparkman, Pine Bluff, Ark., viola; Bettye Cargile, Memphis, Tenn., cello; Barbara Birt, Greenwood, bass violin. Evelyn Hill, Luxora, Ark., was the accompanist. Bettye Sue Dixon, Memphis, Tenn., gave two readings. Elizabeth Reynolds, Sumter, S. C., sang two solo numbers accompanied by Mary D. Wilds, Oxford.

**"LIFE'S GREATEST VENTURE IS** the search to know God's will. Life's greatest achievement is to do God's will.—J. R. Lambdin, The Baptist Training Union Magazine.

**"DR. S. R. WOODSON OF COLUMBUS** was the evangelist during a recent revival with the First Baptist Church, Huntsville, Alabama. Rev. J. T. Ford is pastor. There were sixty-nine additions, forty-seven for baptism."

**DURING BAYLOR UNIVERSITY'S** long history, 210 alumni have served on foreign mission fields, 118 of them in service now.

**SHUQUALAK: THE ANNUAL SPRING** Revival was held this week, April 2-5. The meeting began Sunday morning and continued through Wednesday night. The theme was "Christ is the Answer." The pastor, Rev. Joe Abrams, did the preaching.

**SERVICES WERE TELEVISED OVER** radio station WAPI from the Southside Church, Birmingham on March 26. Dr. John H. Buchanan is pastor of the church. So far as we know this is the first church in the Southern Baptist Convention to have a service televised.

**MISS ELLEN DOUGLAS OLIVER HAS** been named executive secretary of the women's Missionary Union of Virginia. She succeeds Miss Blanche Syndor White, who recently retired.

**PLEASE BE PATIENT. THE BAPTIST** Record has on hand a large number of articles both long and short. So if your article does not appear as soon as you expect it, be as lenient with us as you can. We will get it in as soon as possible. Some articles have already waited six months.

**BERNARD W. SPILMAN, WHO SET** up the training course for Sunday School teachers starting in 1901 for the Sunday School Board and who was a leader in Southern Baptist Sunday school work for nearly half a century, died at his home in Kinston, North Carolina.

**THE COMPLETED HOME MISSION** Board Building in Atlanta will be dedicated with special services on April 27.

**TWO THIRDS OF THE CHURCHES IN** the Southern Baptist Convention have a total annual budget, including missions and local expenses, of less than \$5,000. One third of the 27,286 churches have a total annual budget of less than \$1,000. Only 542 churches have a total budget of more than \$60,000 per year.

**DURING THE MONTH OF APRIL**, pastor Charles Phipps of Richland Church, Rankin county, is preaching a series of sermons in preparation for the spring revival which will be held April 23-30. The main themes for the April sermons are: Prayer and Revival; The Resurrection and Revival; Consecration and Revival; and Soul-Winning and Revival.

**DR. WILBURN S. SMITH OF STARKVILLE** and Rev. N. B. Saucer of Biloxi will be with the First Baptist Church of Marks in a week of revival beginning on Easter Sunday. Cottage prayer services have been under way for two weeks and lists of those to be reached made. On Sunday, March 26, the largest attendance record in the Sunday School that the church has ever reached was attained. Dr. J. D. Eavenson is pastor.

**HIGHLAND CHURCH, MERIDIAN,** has unanimously adopted a floor plan recommended by the Building Committee. The plan is ideal in anybody's terminology. According to the church bulletin. The first units to be constructed on the new location will be a chapel and educational facilities to take care of more than 900 persons in Sunday School. These units will have 3400 square feet of space. The main sanctuary will not be constructed until sometime in the future.

**FAGOTS ON THE FIRE (\$2.00) BY** Ethel S. Low, is an interesting narrative which is a Pinebrook Book Club Selection. Presenting the story of a young boy and girl, eventually God's great purpose can be seen. It also portrays how the Lord can use lives consecrated to Him and to His service. Order from the Zondervan Book House, Grand Rapids, Michigan, or from the Baptist Book Store.

## BAPTIST STUDENT UNION

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Miss Estelle Slater, Associate Southside BSU Secretary, Nashville, Tenn., and Dr. W. Landon Miller, pastor of Brookhaven's First Baptist Church, will appear on the program of the State Retreat for BSU Offices, meeting at Jones Junior College, Ellisville, April 12-21. Miss Slater will speak twice and lead conferences, and Dr. Miller will bring a message on "Christ Preeminent," the theme of the Retreat.

## POTPOURRI

At Ole Miss, a Veteran's Wives Circle of the WMS has recently been organized, and two boys have recently been won to Christ. . . . MSCW BSUers have organized the "Baptist Players," a dramatic group, and distributed 300 tray cards to the hospital. . . . Delta Staters presented a radio program, recently, and also, the BTU and evening worship service at Tippo, Miss. . . . BSUers at Miss. State carry on the Junior Church programs in Starkville's First Church. . . . Three were converted, 10 joined the Poplarville Church from Pearl River Jr., recently. Miss Nell Taylor recently spoke to an Associational YWA banquet at P. R. C. . . . Recent visits to E. Miss. Jr., MSCW, Miss. State, and Co-Lin Jr., have been most enjoyable and spiritually profitable. At EMJC we found J. R. Dudley, former Miss. State BSUer, leading in a

fine way (without remuneration or pay either); at MSCW we had the privilege of giving a devotional to about 100 girls, including Student Sec'y Gwen Boyett, in noon-day prayer meeting; at State, we enjoyed a chat with Student Sec'y Augie Salter and BSU President Joe Webb; and at Co-Lin, the privilege of speaking at their BSU banquet under the direction of Prof. and Mrs. John Simpson, faculty advisers, and with Charles and Jean Tolbert, of Miss. College, he was steward master and both, as honored guests. . . . Pastors, most of the many fine students who have volunteered for Youth Revival work are still waiting for your invitations and requests for teams. Please send them to us soon. . . . If you haven't read Riley Munday's "O Heavenly Fowl" in April's Baptist Student, you've missed something. Riley is at his best, which is saying much. . . .

## AMONG RECENT VISITORS IN THE

office of the Baptist Record were: Rev. C. O. Estes, Canton; Rev. and Mrs. G. W. Smith, Lena; Rev. Homer H. Bridges, Picayune; Mrs. B. E. Moore, Mrs. J. B. Shooks, Mrs. E. L. Stanton, Cleveland; James Richardson, Rev. J. B. Smith, Magee; Dr. O. P. Maddox, J. R. Maddox, Magnolia; Rev. and Mrs. Thomas E. Lee, and Peralta Lee, Newton; Rev. L. Gordon Sansing, Jackson.

DR. R. C. CAMPBELL HAS RECOVERED from a recent illness and will be able to preach the Convention sermon in Chicago. Dr. Campbell spent a month in a hospital in Shelby, N. C. He will conduct revival meetings at Durham, Sanford, and Shelby, N. C. before the Convention meets. After the Convention he plans to carry on with his evangelistic work and supply work.

PEARLHAVEN CHURCH, BROOKHAVEN, had 23 additions, nine for baptism, in their revival. Rev. Bob Baker was the visiting evangelist. Rev. Paul Z. Ball is the pastor.

MISS ROSALIE PURVIS, OF COUNTY Line Church in Jones county, Rev. J. W. Dubose, pastor, has surrendered her life to full-time Christian service. She is a junior at Whitfield High School.

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April 10—Sunday School Campaign at Newton; Prof. Albert T. Scroggins, Mississippi College faculty.

April 11—Woman's College Endowment Campaign; Mrs. W. L. Wilson, Yazoo Association WMU Young People's leader.

April 12—Mrs. Stella Sogga, supervisor, Baptist Hospital; Rev. Andy Hamilton, Union Association Sunday School Superintendent.

April 13—Miss Willie D. Hearst, Woman's College faculty; W. A. Taylor, Clarke College trustee.

April 14—Miss Marguerite Hill, Secretary, Blue Mountain College, Rev. J. N. Holloway, President District 12, Training Union.

April 15—Jack Stuart, Scott County Convention Board member; T. E. Daniel, Jeff-Davis Associational Brotherhood president.

April 16—Dr. K. R. Grant, Greene County Convention Board member.

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NEW FELLOWSHIP CHURCH IN JASPER county, is another church that has helped the Baptist Record in its effort to reach the 66,000 mark in circulation. Recently a nice list of new and renewal subscriptions was received and the church has switched from the yearly paid in advance plan to the EVERY FAMILY plan.

M. Theron Rankin  
Executive Secretary

## FOREIGN MISSION ADVANCE

Genevieve Greer  
Editorial Assistant

### Four Recent Visitors to Three Foreign Mission Areas Address March Session of the Board.

Four travelers from three Southern Baptist Mission areas brought firsthand reports to the semi-annual meeting of the Foreign Mission Board on March 15. Meeting with the Board members were some of the Baptist state secretaries and state editors.

Secretary Baker J. Cauthen, who arrived in the States late in February after four years residence in China, outlined plans for advance in the Orient. "Don't think this advance program is going to wait," Dr. Cauthen said. "It is now or not at all."

Secretary Everett Gill returned to the States early in March after a two months' tour of South American mission stations. "The King's business requires haste," Dr. Gill stated. We need more men and more equipment on mission fields. We have been sending missionaries out like soldiers without equipment, to fight with their bare hands, he added.

Dr. Josef Nordenhaug, editor of *The Commission*, spent six weeks in Europe, returning to Richmond just before the meeting of the Board. "The little groups of Baptists in Europe are lost in the masses," Dr. Nordenhaug said. The new international seminary in Zurich is raising Baptist morale and making Baptists better known.

Mr. O. K. Armstrong, Baptist layman and journalist, traveled recently in both Europe and Latin America. One of his observations was a "need for spiritual advance to keep pace with material and social changes" in Latin America.

Appointment of thirty-six new missionaries brought the number under appointment to 748. Fifteen of the new missionaries were designated for Japan, fourteen for Spanish-speaking Latin America, six for Nigeria, and one for Arabia.

### THE ORIENT

When the Communist army began to engulf China, Dr. Cauthen said in his report, mission boards in China followed one of three lines of action. Some like the China Inland Mission, an international organization with about 500 missionaries, are keeping their missionaries in the country. Other boards felt there was no place for missionaries under a Communist regime and closed all mission operations in Communist China.

Others, including Southern Baptists, took a middle-of-the-road position, Dr. Cauthen stated. They said: "This is serious, we cannot measure it. But it may be the only China we shall know for a generation." The Foreign Mission Board takes the position that the missionary is not a pawn to be moved about a chessboard and that all the Board can do is to say to every missionary: "You are a man or woman of God. You are in China by the call of God. Let every missionary by his own judgement and impressions of God's leadership decide whether to remain or leave, and the Foreign Mission Board will give absolute support to your decision."

We have 52 missionaries in Communist areas of China. Missionaries are free to work in the cities where they live, although permission to travel from city to city is hard to obtain. So far, Chinese Christians are free to carry on Christian activities. Only a few doctors and a few women rejoining their husbands have gained re-entry into China.

"Do not think, or encourage anyone else in thinking, that a missionary's willingness to work under Communists in

China or any other country, means he is sympathetic with Communism," Dr. Cauthen urged. We have sent missionaries into lands overrun by Catholicism, by Islam, by Buddhism, even into lands where government authority is in the hands of savage chiefs.

Whatever happens in China, we shall advance into areas where heretofore we have had no voice, he said, and outlined the missionary spearheads already pointed into the Chinese-populated areas surrounding China. Two missionaries are in Korea, four in Thailand, and nineteen in the Philippines. He mentioned Cawnpore, fourth largest city in India, as a possible mission center.

The Board approved a preaching mission of fifteen ministers to arrive in Japan the last of September and spend two months.

### LATIN AMERICA

An international theological seminary for the Spanish-speaking republics is being established in Buenos Aires, Argentina. It will have a board of ten members composed of four missionaries, four nationals and two local members. Missionary W. L. Cooper was named president of the institution and Missionary Anne Sowell Margrett was named director of the woman's training school.

Mission work is hampered in Columbia by a combination of political and religious persecution. New missionaries cannot enter the republic. Missionaries in the Medellin language school must obtain new visas and re-enter the country every three months and because of this inconvenience and expense the school is considering relocating in Central America.

Missionary-architect Burton Davis, who designed and built in Fortaleza one of the most beautiful evangelical churches in Brazil, has erected a school in the same city. Dr. Gill displayed a half-page clipping from a Fortaleza newspaper picturing the school and the missionary builder. Favorable publicity for evangelical projects is unusual in the Catholic city.

### EUROPE

Dr. Nordenhaug spent eight days at the Baptist seminary in Switzerland, about a week viewing Baptist work in Rome, and some time in other European cities.

The Zurich seminary has enrolled now 26 students from 15 different countries, he said, each trying to adjust to the others' background and provincialism. There are roommates at the seminary who were prisoners of war in each other's country. Italy, Dr. Nordenhaug, said, has about 3,000 Baptists and expects to report 500 baptisms for the year.

Dr. Nordenhaug conferred with the president of the Hamburg Baptist seminary which Southern Baptists gifts have helped. In Oslo, Norway, he visited the Baptist seminary which is located in the attic of a church which has had about 20 students. He also visited the Baptist seminary in Stockholm which has 35 students enrolled.

A revival of concern is needed in Europe, Dr. Nordenhaug said. The people need to feel that the gospel must not only be studied, but shared with those around them.

### SAMUEL VILA OF SPAIN

Unity among Baptists in Spain, achieved under the agreement of the Baptist World Alliance in 1920, is threatened by the activities of Mr. Samuel Vila, according to a report from Missionary J. D. Hughey of Spain.

Mr. Vila severed relations with the Southern Baptist Mission last year to



## Highland Revival Adds Twenty-Five

Rev. A. B. Pierce Is Preacher

Rev. A. B. Pierce did the preaching in the revival at Highland Church, Meridian, March 13-19, Rev. Edward L. Byrd, pastor. Much visitation and personal work was promoted.

There were 25 additions to the church, 21 by baptism. A number of young people rededicated their lives and some surrendered to whatever the service the Lord might call them.

become director in Spain of the Spanish Christian Mission founded and directed by Mr. Zacarias Carles of Canada. The interdenominational organization is considered chiefly a schismatic Baptist movement in Spain. The Baptist church of Tarrasa of which Mr. Vila is pastor voted, with a large dissenting minority, to follow him into the Spanish Christian Mission and a mission point formerly belonging to the Baptist Mission was also incorporated into his Mission. Other churches related to the Baptist Mission expressed absolute adherence to the Baptist organization, but Mr. Hughey says there is evidence that the divisive influence is being felt in some churches.

The reason Mr. Vila gave Mr. Hughey for withdrawing from the Baptist Mission was that he did not agree with the Baptist policy of self-support for the churches. Mr. Carles, he said, would pay his entire salary and the church would be free to do whatever it pleased with its money. He stated in a public meeting that he was joining the Carles Mission for reasons of personal convenience.

Mr. Vila and the Baptist churches of his Mission still form a part of the Spanish Baptist Union, but "fundamental differences of procedure make genuine cooperation difficult if not impossible," Mr. Hughey stated.

Laubach invited to talk on LITERACY

Dr. Frank C. Laubach, noted authority on teaching illiterates to read, will be asked by the Foreign Mission Board to address its October meeting on his literacy methods and techniques. The Board also voted to consider designating one missionary to study the Laubach methods and techniques to use in connection with our mission work.

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## Northeast Pastors To Meet Friday, April 7

The Northeast Pastors' Conference will meet at Houlka Church on April 7 at 9:45 with Rev. S. C. Wilbanks, presiding, according to an announcement by Rev. C. E. Patch.

The morning program includes discussions of the place in a revival for prayer, preaching, the emphasizing of doctrines and of music, led by Rev. S. S. Kelly, Rev. James Monroe, Rev. J. D. Thompson, and Rev. Dan Patch, respectively.

Following lunch Dr. E. C. Williams, State Sunday School Secretary, will discuss, "Using the Sunday School in a Revival." Rev. Carey Cox will lead in a Bible study and the meeting will adjourn after the business session at 3:15.

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## Rep. Barden Attacks Catholic Hierarchy

NEW YORK—(RNS)—An attack on the Roman Catholic hierarchy for allegedly blocking Federal aid to education by raising the religious issue was made by Rep. Graham A. Barden, North Carolina Democrat and author of a controversial aid to education bill.

Mr. Barden, who spoke at a luncheon given by the Committee on Federal Aid to Public Education which was attended by Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, assailed Francis Cardinal Spellman, of New York, as a "cruel authoritarian" for his criticism of Mrs. Roosevelt last summer.

The legislator charged the Catholic hierarchy with having tried for 30 years to break down the wall separating Church and State. He asserted that "you either agree with the Roman Catholic hierarchy or you are branded as anti-Catholic, a bigot, un-American or a Communist."

He charged the hierarchy with leading the opposition to his bill, which would make Federal funds available to public but not to parochial schools.

Mr. Barden referred to the attack on Mrs. Roosevelt by the cardinal because of her support of the principle that Federal money should be used only for public schools.

In his address, Rep. Barden declared:

"His Eminence Cardinal Spellman apparently little appreciated just what it means to me to be able to pass on to my children a good and untarnished name—he branded me as a 'bigot,' 'un-American,' as one conducting 'a craven crusade' and 'venting his venom upon children.'

"The clock had hardly time to tick before other members of the Roman Catholic hierarchy adopted the identical name-calling attack on me. An archbishop in faraway California even added to the cardinal's outburst and depicted me as an example of Soviet influence in the United States Congress.

"Let there be no question as to who injected the religious issue into the Federal school aid problem."

In her turn, Mrs. Roosevelt declared that respect should be paid to the right of persons to obtain a "special education" but that she could not see the "slightest reason why someone else should pay for that kind of education."

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"THE BEST TEACHING A TEACHER does is made possible through visitation."—A. V. Washburn, The Sunday School Builder.

## Harrisburg Brotherhood Are Early Risers



### OAK RIDGE BAPTISTS APPROVE MODERNISTIC CHURCH

OAK RIDGE, Tenn.—(RNS)—A modern new church featuring a spire that will take the form of a 200-foot pylon will be erected by Baptists of this atomic city. The spire will tower from one side of the church, instead of from atop it.

Building plans also call for the construction of an egg-shaped auditorium seating 1,000 persons, and for the erection of two church wings for Sunday school classrooms. The whole project is expected to cost \$400,000.

The emphasis on modernism in the building plans resulted from the belief of the Baptists that a Gothic or

Colonial-type church would be out of place in an atomic community.

When completed, the buildings will be the first of their own to be occupied by the Baptist congregation here. Only recently did the Atomic Energy Commission decide to give the title to private building sites to church groups here. Churches will be the first groups in Oak Ridge to own private buildings.

Started on Jan. 20, 1944, the Baptist congregation originally numbered 41 charter members. Now it has 846 members. All services since 1944 have been held in the Oak Ridge High School building.

Unable to find a night available in the busy program of the Harrisburg Church, Tupelo, the Brotherhood set their time of meeting at 5:30 a. m. each Monday. The meeting time was selected as an experiment and has proven most successful for more than three months. More than twice as many attend the early morning program than attended in the evening.

Breakfast is cooked by two men and is served at 5:30. Following the meal, the program is given and plans are made for the week. The members are high in their praise of the meeting and say that it gives them an ideal start for their week's work.

Shown above is the president, H. H. Townsend, standing second from the left, L. D. Hancock, program chairman, is first from the extreme left. Rev. Winfred Moore, pastor, is seated at the end of the front table.

The Brotherhood sponsors the "Layman's Radio Program" each Sunday morning, using a different layman for each message. Another project of the men is furnishing transportation for those who have no way to come to church.

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### Drive Begins to End Obscene Literature

TRENTON, N. J.—(RNS)—Acting on orders from Attorney General Theodore D. Parsons, prosecutors of all 21 counties in New Jersey have begun a campaign to wipe out the sale of obscene printed matter.

The drive against pornography was begun after complaints had reached state authorities from churches, parent-teacher and other groups that "sex booklets" and other harmful material was being sold to teen-agers.

The attorney general first met high state officials to study the situation. A few days later he called in the prosecutors and ordered an immediate crackdown on newsstands and others who distributed the objectionable material.

Parsons warned the prosecutors that they must answer for any laxity in enforcement of his order.

Plans were laid to draw up a black-list of all questionable books offered for sale. Each prosecutor will forward the titles of obscene materials to the attorney general who in turn will forward a master list to all counties.

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"THERE BE THREE TIMES AS MANY churches in the S. B. S. with services every Sunday as there were in 1933."

KAGAWA, NOTED JAPANESE Protestant leader will visit the United States in July.

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